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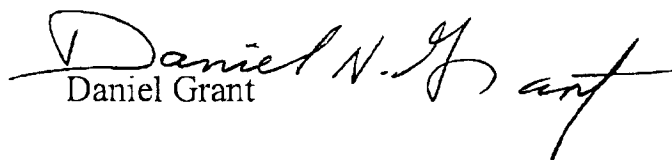
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am in support of Microsoft and its right to practice ethical business in a free market economy. I am also in support of the proposed antitrust settlement between them and the Department of Justice. I believe this is a fair resolution to this lawsuit.

Microsoft is disclosing much of the features that give it a competitive edge. This includes disclosure of interfaces that are internal to Windows' operating system, and allowing software developers to develop competitive software. The release of this information should be enough to satisfy the government.

I urge you to support this settlement and conclude this case. I would feel more comfortable with the Government focusing its efforts on pursuing more suspicious and illegal companies. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Daniel Grant